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1. The Georgian Coal Combine (GruzUgol'Kombinat) was set up in the late thirties as a high level administrative organization for the coal mining industry in Georgia. Its offices were at 8 Shio Chitadze Street in Tbilisi; at the end of 1952 a move was to be made to a new building located on Spusk Elbakidze.
2. Three coal mine trusts, administering the entire coal mine production of the Georgian SSR, were subordinate to the Georgian Coal Combine:
  - a. Tkvibuli Coal Mine Trust (Trest Tkvibul'skikh Ugol'nykh Kopey-Trest Tkvibul'Ugol'), located in Tkvibuli, close to Kutaisi. This Trust was responsible for the operation of several coal mines located in and around Tkvibuli.

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these mines were the oldest ones in the Georgian SSR; some of them were operated in pre-Revolution times. The Tkvibuli Coal Mine Trust was the largest coal mine trust in the Georgian SSR; it mined black stone coal of very good quality.

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Its chief consumers were the Georgian railroads and several metallurgical plants, including the Rustavi Foundry. One of the Tkviuli mines was called Stalin Mine, and the other Molotov Mine.

- b. Tkvarcheli Coal Mines Trust [ ] which was the second largest trust; it included seven mines, all located in the valley of the Galizga River. [ ] 25X1

- c. The Akhaltsikhe Coal Mines Administration (Akhaltsikhskoye shakhtoupravleniye), located in the town of Akhaltsikhe. Three coal mines were subordinate to this administration, and they were located in a settlement [name unknown], about 40 km. from the town of Akhaltsikhe. These mines produced brown coal for private consumption and also for the Georgian railroads. [ ] these mines were opened in the late thirties. Their output was not large and had not exceeded several hundred tons daily. 25X1

3. Until 1952, the head of the Georgian Coal Combine was Boris Ivanovich GUDZHEDZHIANI; he was replaced by V. B. GOGUA, President of the Supreme Soviet of the Georgian SSR, in April 1952. V. B. GOGUA had two deputies: one was chief engineer [name unknown]; and the other was the second deputy for Workers' Consumer Goods and Food Supply, Vladimir SIKHARULIDZE.

4. The Georgian Coal Combine had the following sections:

- a. Directly under the head of the Georgian Coal Combine:

- (1) Planning and Commerce Section (Planovo ekonomicheskij otdel), with three employees.
- (2) Finance Section, with two employees.
- (3) Personnel Section (Spetsotdel i otdel kadrov), with three employees.
- (4) Technical Supply Section (Otdel tekhnicheskogo snabzheniya), with 20 employees. The Chief of this section was Vasilij L'vovich MAKAREVICH.
- (5) Capital Construction Section (Otdel kapital'nogo stroitel'stva), with two employees.
- (6) Accounting Office, six employees. At the head of this section was CHKHARTISHVILI, (fnu).
- (7) Transportation Section, with two employees.

- b. Under the chief engineer was a technical section with two employees.

- c. Under the deputy for Workers' Consumer Goods and Food Supply was a section called the Workers' Supply Administration (Upravleniye rabochego snabzheniya), with two employees. The functions and responsibilities of these sections were similar to those [ ] described in reference to the Tkvarcheli Coal Mines Trust [ ] 25X1

5. The Georgian Coal Combine, as the highest level coal mine administration agency for the Georgian SSR, was directly subordinate to the All-Union Ministry of the Coal Mining Industry in Moscow. In the Georgian SSR the Georgian Coal Combine maintained close business relationships with the following agencies concerned with coal production:

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- a. GruzShakhtoStroy, responsible for construction of mines.
- b. GruzUgleSbyt, responsible for the disposal of coal.
- c. GruzUgleRazvedka, responsible for geological exploration in the Georgian SSR for new coal deposits, and for the expansion of existing mines.

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